huts worth only a few rupees. Some such rates as the following would afford relief to occupants of such huts:—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Houses valued at Rs. 25 and under ...	0	4	0
Houses valued at from Rs. 25 to 50...	0	8	0

Reply of Government.—Differential rates being reasonable, the matter will be considered in consultation with Deputy Commissioners.

Subject No. 375
Plantation at Gundragalipura to be given over for cultivation.

Summary of discussion.—The Government Plantation near Gundragalipura was started about seven or eight years ago and is believed to have cost five or six thousand rupees. A mestri and a watcher are attached to it. Its area is about 300 acres, but not more than 100 casuarina trees are to be found in it, and these, if sold, would hardly fetch Rs. 10. The block was once an occupied land yielding an annual revenue of three or four hundred rupees to Government, but was converted into a plantation when it lay unoccupied owing to the death or desertion of raiyats during the famine. Its restoration to raiyats for cultivation is a matter deserving consideration.

Reply of Government.—The Forest Department do not seem to be keen about retaining it if raiyats can be induced to get up a tope on it. The land cannot be granted for cultivation.

Subject No. 376
Construction of a tank across Burdanahalli nalla.

Summary of discussion.—The construction of a tank across the Burdanahalli nalla is likely to bring about 4,000 acres of land under wet cultivation and to benefit the raiyats of Harohalli and 20 other villages.

Reply of Government.—The Deputy Commissioner will investigate this in the first instance and, if necessary, place himself in communication with the Public Works Department.

Subject No. 377
Reduction of assessment on certain lands.

Summary of discussion.—During the Survey Settlement, gomal lands were granted to raiyats on assessment ranging from 14 to 8 annas an acre: but as such lands have never been cultivated and as the raiyats own large areas of 100 or 200 acres each purely for grazing purposes, the assessment thereof should be reduced to amounts ranging from 4 to 8 annas.

Reply of Government.—The rates are fair and no revision is feasible.

Subject No. 378
Establishment of a Munsiff's Court at Closepet.

Summary of discussion.—The situation of Civil Courts in Bangalore is inconvenient. Parties and witnesses suffer much by frequent adjournments of cases filed in these Courts. A Munsiff's Court may, therefore, be established at Closepet.

Reply of Government.—Noted.